

Executive Branch Personnel Public Financial Disclosure Report (OGE Form 278e)

Filer's Information

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Date of Appointment: 01/31/2017

Other Federal Government Positions Held During the Preceding 12 Months: None

Electronic Signature - I certify that the statements I have made in this form are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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02/28/2017

Agency Ethics Official's Opinion - On the basis of information contained in this report. I conclude that the filer is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations(Subject to any comments below).

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1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

#	NAME	CITY, STATE	OGE TYPE	POSITION	FROM	TO
1	Bob Castro Strategies	Bethesda, MD, USA	Sole Proprietorship Consulting	Consultant	01/2000	Present

2. Filer's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	American Chamber of Commerce in Bahrain	N/A		Fees	\$800
2	Rental income from property at 3606 Gunston Road	N/A		Rents	\$16602

3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

#	EMPLOYER OR OTHER PARTY TO AGREEMENT/ARRANGEMENT	CITY/STATE	STATUS AND TERMS	DATE
1	LCR Capital	Westport, CT, USA	Partnership/Consulting agreement: Partnership/Consulting agreement for strategy to access new markets, future residuals for past intros to sales channels & new partners	06/2016

4. Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5,000 in a Year

This report has no reported Compensation Exceeding \$5,000

5. Spouse's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

This report has no reported Assets

6. Other Assets and Income

#	DESCRIPTION	EIF	VALUE	INCOME TYPE	INCOME AMOUNT
1	Congressional Federal Credit Union	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
2	Wells Fargo Checking, Savings	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
3	Citibank IRA Rollover - legacy LM/PAE, ING	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
4	BNY Mellon Southern Company Investment Plan	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends	\$201 - \$1,000
5	Fidelity PAE Pacific Architects IRA Rollover	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$2,501 - \$5,000
5.1	FID 500 index inst (FXSIX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
5.2	PIF MDCP SP400 INST (MPSIX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
5.3	MPS VALUE R4 (MEIJX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000

5.4	JANUS ENTERPRISE I (JMGRX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
5.5	FID FREEDOM K 2040 (FFKFX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
6	RAYMOND JAMES IRA, ROTH, TOD PORTFOLIO ACCOUNTS	N/A	\$250,001 - \$500,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$5,001 - \$15,000
6.1	RAYMOND JAMES CASH MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTS	N/A	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.2	CELGENE CORPORATION (CELG)	N/A	\$50,001 - \$100,000	Capital Gains	\$5,001 - \$15,000
6.3	Fidelity advisor real estate income fund class I N/L (FRIRX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
6.4	HARTFORD BALANCED INCOME FUND CLASS C M/F (HBLCX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
6.5	Matthews pacific tiger fund investor class N/L (MAPTX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.6	MFS UTILITIES FUND CLASS A M/F (MMUFX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
6.7	Neuberger berman genesis fund investor class N/L (NBGNX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.8	PRUDENTIAL JENNISON HEALTH SCIENCES FUND CLASS Z N/L (PHSZX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.9	pimco rae fundamental plus fund class c m/f (PIXCX)	Yes	\$50,001 - \$100,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.10	PIMCO INCOME FUND CLASS p n/l (PONPX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$1,001 - \$2,500
6.11	PRUDENTIAL JENNISON GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND CLASS Z N/L (PRJZX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.12	T ROWE PRICE SMALL CAP VALUE FUND N/L (PONPX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.13	PRUDENTIAL QMA STOCK INDEX FUND CLASS C M/F (PSICX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.14	PRUDENTIAL QMA STOCK INDEX FUND CLASS Z M/F (PSIFX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.15	Pioneer strategic income fund class C M/F (PSRCX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$1,001 - \$2,500
6.16	Pimco total return fund class P N/L (PTTPX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.17	Federated Strategic Value Dividend Fund Inst Shares I S N/L (SVAIX)	Yes	\$15,001 - \$50,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
6.18	TEMPLETON GLOBAL BOND FUND ADVISOR CLASS N/L (TGBAX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
6.19	VANGUARD HIGH DIVIDEND YIELD INDEX FUND INVESTOR SHARES N/L (VHDYX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.20	VANGUARD MID CAP INDEX FUND ADMIRAL SHARES N/L (VIMAX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.21	IVY HIGH INCOME FUND CLASS Y N/L (WHIYX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000	Dividends, Capital Gains	\$201 - \$1,000
6.22	IVY SMALL CAP GROWTH FUND CLASS C M/F (WRGCX)	Yes	\$1,001 - \$15,000		None (or less than \$201)
6.23	IVY SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FUND CLASS C M/F (WSTCX)	N/A	\$15,001 - \$50,000		None (or less than \$201)
7	Prize for Secretary of State Award from AAFSW	N/A		Cash Award: volunteer	\$2500

7. Transactions

This report has no reported Transactions

8. Liabilities

#	CREDITOR NAME	TYPE OF LIABILITY	AMOUNT	YEAR INCURRED	INTEREST RATE	TERM
1	Chase credit card	Credit Card/Revolving Charge Account	\$15,001 - \$50,000	2016	14.49%	Revolving
2	Discover Card	Credit Card/Revolving Charge Account	\$15,001 - \$50,000	2016	5.99%	revolving
3	NELNET Inc - Student Loan	Loan	\$15,001 - \$50,000	2004	5.5%	30 yrs
4	State Dept Federal Credit Union SDFCU	Credit Card/Revolving Charge Account	\$10,001 - \$15,000	2015	9.49%	Revolving
5	Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	Mortgage, Alexandria, VA, USA	\$50,001 - \$100,000	1999	6.75%	30 yrs

9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

This report has no reported Gifts and Reimbursements

Summary of Contents

1. Filer's Positions Held Outside United States Government

Part 1 discloses positions that the filer held at any time during the reporting period (excluding positions with the United States Government). Positions are reportable even if the filer did not receive compensation. This section does not include the following: (1) positions with religious, social, fraternal, or political organizations; (2) positions solely of an honorary nature; (3) positions held as part of the filer's official duties with the United States Government; (4) mere membership in an organization; and (5) passive investment interests as a limited partner or non-managing member of a limited liability company.

2. Filer's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

Part 2 discloses the following:

- Sources of earned and other non-investment income of the filer totaling more than \$200 during the reporting period (e.g., salary, fees, partnership share, honoraria, scholarships, and prizes)
- Assets related to the filer's business, employment, or other income-generating activities that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in income during the reporting period (e.g., equity in business or partnership, stock options, retirement plans/accounts and their underlying holdings as appropriate, deferred compensation, and intellectual property, such as book deals and patents)

This section does not include assets or income from United States Government employment or assets that were acquired separately from the filer's business, employment, or other income-generating activities (e.g., assets purchased through a brokerage account). Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF).

3. Filer's Employment Agreements and Arrangements

Part 3 discloses agreements or arrangements that the filer had during the reporting period with an employer or former employer (except the United States Government), such as the following:

- Future employment
- Leave of absence
- Continuing payments from an employer, including severance and payments not yet received for previous work (excluding ordinary salary from a current employer)
- Continuing participation in an employee welfare, retirement, or other benefit plan, such as pensions or a deferred compensation plan
- Retention or disposition of employer-awarded equity, sharing in profits or carried interests (e.g., vested and unvested stock options, restricted stock, future share of a company's profits, etc.)

4. Filer's Sources of Compensation Exceeding \$5,000 in a Year

Part 4 discloses sources (except the United States Government) that paid more than \$5,000 in a calendar year for the filer's services during any year of the reporting period. The filer discloses payments both from employers and from any clients to whom the filer personally provided services. The filer discloses a source even if the source made its payment to the filer's employer and not to the filer. The filer does not disclose a client's payment to the filer's employer if the filer did not provide the services for which the client is paying.

5. Spouse's Employment Assets & Income and Retirement Accounts

Part 5 discloses the following:

- Sources of earned income (excluding honoraria) for the filer's spouse totaling more than \$1,000 during the reporting period (e.g., salary, consulting fees, and partnership share)
- Sources of honoraria for the filer's spouse greater than \$200 during the reporting period
- Assets related to the filer's spouse's employment, business activities, other income-generating activities that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in income during the reporting period (e.g., equity in business or partnership, stock options, retirement plans/accounts and their underlying holdings as appropriate, deferred compensation, and intellectual property, such as book deals and patents)

This section does not include assets or income from United States Government employment or assets that were acquired separately from the filer's spouse's business, employment, or other income-generating activities (e.g., assets purchased through a brokerage account). Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF). Amounts of income are not required for a spouse's earned income (excluding honoraria).

6. Other Assets and Income

Part 6 discloses each asset, not already reported, that (1) ended the reporting period with a value greater than \$1,000 or (2) produced more than \$200 in investment income during the reporting period. For purposes of the value and income thresholds, the filer aggregates the filer's interests with those of the filer's spouse and dependent children. This section does not include the following types of assets: (1) a personal residence (unless it was rented out during the reporting period); (2) income or retirement benefits associated with United States Government employment (e.g., Thrift Savings Plan); and (3) cash accounts (e.g., checking, savings, money market accounts) at a single financial institution with a value of \$5,000 or less (unless more than \$200 of income was produced). Additional exceptions apply. Note: The type of income is not required if the amount of income is \$0 - \$200 or if the asset qualifies as an excepted investment fund (EIF).

7. Transactions

Part 7 discloses purchases, sales, or exchanges of real property or securities in excess of \$1,000 made on behalf of the filer, the filer's spouse or dependent child during reporting period. This section does not include transactions that concern the following: (1) a personal residence, unless rented out; (2) cash accounts (e.g., checking, savings, CDs, money market accounts) and money market mutual funds; (3) Treasury bills, bonds, and notes; and (4) holdings within a federal Thrift Savings Plan account. Additional exceptions apply.

8. Liabilities

Part 8 discloses liabilities over \$10,000 that the filer, the filer's spouse or dependent child owed at any time during the reporting period. This section does not include the following types of liabilities: (1) mortgages on a personal residence, unless rented out (limitations apply for PAS filers); (2) loans secured by a personal motor vehicle, household furniture, or appliances, unless

the loan exceeds the item's purchase price; and (3) revolving charge accounts, such as credit card balances, if the outstanding liability did not exceed \$10,000 at the end of the reporting period. Additional exceptions apply.

9. Gifts and Travel Reimbursements

This section discloses:

- Gifts totaling more than \$375 that the filer, the filer's spouse, and dependent children received from any one source during the reporting period.
- Travel reimbursements totaling more than \$375 that the filer, the filer's spouse, and dependent children received from any one source during the reporting period.

For purposes of this section, the filer need not aggregate any gift or travel reimbursement with a value of \$150 or less. Regardless of the value, this section does not include the following items: (1) anything received from relatives; (2) anything received from the United States Government or from the District of Columbia, state, or local governments; (3) bequests and other forms of inheritance; (4) gifts and travel reimbursements given to the filer's agency in connection with the filer's official travel; (5) gifts of hospitality (food, lodging, entertainment) at the donor's residence or personal premises; and (6) anything received by the filer's spouse or dependent children totally independent of their relationship to the filer. Additional exceptions apply.

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